AV14 ISR
XR Pol 23-8 (1)

Department of State

TELEGRAM

~~UNCLASSIFIED~~ ~~LIMITED OFFICIAL USE~~ 161

189

PAGE 01 MONTEV 01348 022230Z

73
ACTION EA-14

INFO OCT-01 ARA-10 NEA-10 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-06 H-02
INR-06 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-10 P-03 RSC-01 PRS-01 SS-14
USIA-12 E-11 FAA-00 COM-08 IO-12 SY-03 USSS-00 SCS-03
SCA-01 RSR-01 /132 W

017442

R 021957Z JUN 72
FM AMEMBASSY MONTEVIDEO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2133
INFO AMEMBASSY TOKYO PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE MONTEVIDEO 1348

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356
PA or FOI EXEMPT

Montevideo 1348

1. COUNSELOR JAPANESE EMBASSY MASUZAWA CALLED TODAY (JUNE 2) ON INSTRUCTIONS TO APPRAISE HIMSELF OF STEPS TAKEN BY GOU FOLLOWING THE MURDER OF AID TECHNICIAN DAN MITRIONE, BY URUGUAYAN TERRORISTS IN AUGUST, 1970. MASUZAWA SAID JAPANESE GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS ITS INTERNATIONAL POSITION ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY TERRORIST ACTIONS RECENTLY COMMITTED BY JAPANESE CITIZENS IN TEL AVIV. JAPANESE GOVERNMENT EXTENDING APOLOGIES TO NATIONS WHOSE CITIZENS INVOLVED AND IS CONSIDERING PAYING INDEMNIFICATION TO FAMILIES OF VICTIMS. IT WAS IN THIS CONNECTION GOU INTERESTED IN MITRIONE CASE.

2. IN RESPONSE TO MASUZAWA'S QUESTION I TOLD HIM TO BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE USG HAD NOT MADE FORMAL REQUEST TO GOU FOR INDEMNIFICATION TO FAMILY FOR MITRIONE MURDER. I TOLD HIM MANY MITRIONE'S ASSOCIATES AND FRIENDS IN URUGUAY HAD CONTRIBUTED TO A PRIVATELY-SPONSORED MEMORIAL TRUST FUND FOR EDUCATION OF NINE MITRIONE CHILDREN. AGAIN IN RESPONSE TO MASUZAWA'S QUESTION I INFORMED HIM THAT THE PRESIDENT AND HIGHEST URUGUAYAN AUTHORITIES HAD CONVEYED THEIR CONDOLENCES TO USG OVER INCIDENT

DECLASSIFIED

(2)

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

50

FORM DS-1652
9-66

Department of State TELEGRAM

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 MONTEV 01348 02223OZ

AND THAT URUGUAYAN PUBLIC GENERALLY HAD REPUDIATED TERRORIST ACTION.

3. MASUZAWA THANKED ME FOR BACKBROUND AND SAID HIS GOVERNMENT ATTEMPTING TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO MAKE UP FOR SHOCKING ACT COMMITTED BY JAPANESE SUBJECTS.
EXEMPT
ORTIZ

DECLASSIFIED

FORM